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Docket No.: 0020-5205P

MS PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor: HIGUCHI, Hayato; SUGIMUNE, Naoto; TAKAISHI,

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For: A BATTERY USED FOR SMALL ELECTRIC DEVICES

Enclosed are:

| \boxtimes | Α | specification | consisting | of | Forty-six | (46) | pages |
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☐ Ten (10) sheet(s) of formal drawings

- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 2002-350502 filed in JAPAN on December 2, 2002.
 - Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
 - ☐ Certified copy(ies) will follow.

| \boxtimes | Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow |
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| | Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76 |
| \boxtimes | Preliminary Amendment |
| | Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s) |
| | Other: |
| | Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee |
| | Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i) |

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- The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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